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Applicant urges that the last action should not have been made final because the change in the rejection was not necessitated by applicants' amendment. They further argue in paragraph 6 that the original claims contained the limitation "having 4 to 50 amino acids". This is not found to be true. A review of the original claims that were pending at the time the first action was done shows that they contained the limitation "of at least four amino acids". This requirement was met by the first action of the merits and in order to meet the new requirements of "having 4 to 50 amino acids", the new ground of rejection was added over Sano, et al.


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